Congressman Pence filed an amendment to the omnibus spending bill that would ban the so-called 'Fairness Doctrine' from being restored for the rest of this fiscal year. Democrats did not include prohibitions from restoring the ‘Fairness Doctrine’ that Congressman Pence had successfully added to the previous appropriations bill.

The Hill **adds that**

Pence has drafted an amendment he intends to offer this week to the $410 billion omnibus spending bill would continuing blocking the FCC from resuming the policy. It’s unclear whether Democrats will allow the amendment to be offered as part of the debate.

“Bringing back the Fairness Doctrine today would amount to government control over political views expressed on the public airways,” Pence, who used to host his own radio talk show, said in a statement. “The American people cherish freedom, especially freedom of speech and of the press.”

Congress tried to reinstate the Fairness Doctrine, which was originated in 1949, in 1987 and 1991. In both of those instances Presidents Ronald Reagan and George H.W. Bush killed the efforts by threatening the veto the legislation.